



General Assembly

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***Proposed Bill No. 5167***

LCO No. 762

Referred to Committee on Government Administration and  
Elections

Introduced by:  
REP. RYAN, 139th Dist.  
SEN. PRAGUE, 19th Dist.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION OF ABANDONED  
CEMETERIES BY MUNICIPALITIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to authorize municipalities to
- 2 acquire abandoned cemeteries provided the municipality exercises due
- 3 diligence to identify the owners of the cemetery or unoccupied lots or
- 4 grave sites, and to require the municipality to maintain the
- 5 characteristics of the cemetery and not make any change to use of the
- 6 land or transfer title to the property.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To maintain the character of small towns by facilitating the  
preservation of rural cemeteries.